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## EASTERN NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE OREGONIAN.]

### Alabama Legislature

MONTGOMERY Ala. Feb 23—A bill passed both houses of the legislature relating to the settlement of the State debt. All dies estate bonds except those issued to aid of railroads are to be taken up and funded at two per cent for five years four per cent for ten years and five per cent for fifteen years. All past due interest upon same to be given up. The Montgomery & Eufaula and Selma Marion & Memphis and Selma Rome & Chattanooga Railroads are to surrender the bonds issued by the State in aid of the roads and have endorsed by the State and take the road and equipments, and land and receive in addition to the bonds of bonds to bear interest as the other new bonds.

### Efforts to Prosecute Violators of the Sunday Excise Law

BUFFALO, Feb 23—The temperance organizations have secured a fund of seventeen thousand dollars to prosecute the violators of the Sunday excise law. Fifteen prominent saloon keepers were arrested to-day.

### Illinois State Central Committee

CHICAGO, Feb. 23—The Republican State Central Committee met here yesterday and decided to hold a State convention at Springfield on the 24th of May.

### Off for the Black Hills.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23—A Times Yankton special says Gen. Dodge, in command of the largest outfit that has passed, left yesterday for the Black Hills. The party numbered 157 men. A prominent gentleman of Yankton has received a letter from Capt. Grace, formerly captain of the steamboat Miner, plying the Missouri river, saying I have been in the mines six weeks, and am more than satisfied with the country. I have found what is certainly gold. I have found enough to any one could wish from brief diggings to any one could wish from brief diggings.

### Gilpin in a Colliery.

PITTSBURG, Feb 23—Adam Sherman and John Gilpin were killed this morning by the explosion of gas in King & Co.'s colliery.

### A Missing Cashier.

ST. LOUIS Feb. 23—Some days ago the Farmers and Traders' Banks suspended. Its directors gave out notice that they would soon be able to settle all indebtedness. It now seems that the accounts of the cashier, Rudolph A Dyer son of an old and respected citizen, exhibited a deficiency of $70,000. He could have met the directors on Monday to agree upon the means to make his account good but he did not appear, and has not been heard from nor is it known where he is.

### Grand State Republican Convention.

SPRINGFIELD, Feb 23—The Republican State Central Committee have called the Republican State convention to meet at Frederick City, May 4th to elect delegates to the National Republican convention

### The Advisory Council in Secret Session.

NEW YORK, Feb 23—The Advisory Council resolved to meet in secret session this morning. The committees to make up the final report, was also in session.

### A Fire in Tarrytown.

TARRYTOWN, N Y., Feb. 23.—A fire in the rear of the Metropolitan meat market, early this morning, destroyed the entire block. Loss put at $50,000

### Hearing on a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 23—This morning, Munley and Milliner, recently arrested charged with the murder of Wein and Sanger, last fall, had a private hearing on a writ of habeas corpus. The doors of the court were locked and guarded to keep the crowd from entering

### Arrived in Distress,

NEW YORK, Feb 23—The passengers and crew of the steamship City of Galveston have arrived at this port, after suffering severe privations.

### Miners for the Black Hills.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 23.—Over one hundred miners arrived here yesterday and to-day for the Black Hills. A special express and stage line left to-day for Custar City. It will run the route in 29 hours.

### WASHINGTON CITY.

### New Hampshire Supports Bristow.

A Washington special says a dispatch was received from New Hampshire by one of the Senators to the effect that if Bristow is forced out of the Cabinet, or quits the State will be lost to the Republicans. It has caused a violent commotion in Republican ranks, as the whisky folks have declared on Bristow's exit in ten days

### Political Affairs in Louisiana.

The Tribune's Washington special says the precarious condition of political affairs in Louisiana causes much solicitude in the Republican and Democratic circles in Washington. A very strong sentiment seems to prevail among the conservatives of both houses in favor of the impeachment of Governor Antoine and the Lieutenant Governor. This sentiment is approved and encouraged by some of the most conservative Louisiana politicians now at Washington. Leading members of the Democratic party, including Speaker Kerr and the most influential journals representing both the Northern and southern states, are of opinion that any extreme measure at this time would result in great harm to the Democratic party at large. The conservatives who favor the impeachment of Governor Kellogg assert that they do not propose to be guided in any way by theoretic compromises. The leading Democrats in Washington are opposed to this line of policy, because they fear however just the action of the conservatives may be it will be impossible to convince Northern people that the Wheeler compromise has not been disregarded and that the conservatives do not desire to obtain the political ends sought by revolution, if revolution is necessary to accomplish their purposes.

### Fremont Ready to Testify in the Ames Pole Matter.

General Fremont has arrived here and it is supposed he is ready to testify in the Memphis and Selma matter. The members of the judiciary committee however, state that little can be expected as he managed his business in such a way as purposely avoid knowing of any of the details by which these results were sought to be accomplished. Patterson and Paige the most important witnesses in this investigation, have found it necessary to go to Europe.

### Fremont before the Railroad Committee.

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## ATLANTIC CABLE.

### Fugitive Slave Question in Parliament.

LONDON, Feb 22.—In the House of Commons to-day Whitbread, member for Bedford moved a resolution in regard to the treatment of fugitive slaves, calling for the revocation of the circular issued by the Admiralty. It asserted that numerous cases to the contrary had occurred. Lord Alfred Churchill, Secretary of the Admiralty, answered the charges. On Tuesday evening last orders were issued to the Commanders of Coasters and Gunboats which were in force in 1871, and Governor Antoine and the Lieutenant Governor of the State. This sentiment is approved and encouraged by some of the most conservative Louisiana politicians now at Washington. Leading members of the Democratic party, including Speaker Kerr and the most influential journals representing both the Northern and southern states, are of opinion that any extreme measure at this time would result in great harm to the Democratic party at large. The conservatives who favor the impeachment of Governor Kellogg assert that they do not propose to be guided in any way by theoretic compromises. The leading Democrats in Washington are opposed to this line of policy, because they fear however just the action of the conservatives may be it will be impossible to convince Northern people that the Wheeler compromise has not been disregarded and that the conservatives do not desire to obtain the political ends sought by revolution, if revolution is necessary to accomplish their purposes.

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### Carlist War

BAYONNE, Feb. 23.—A dispatch from Irun says the Alfonsists entered Oyarzun to-day. Concentrations towards Alsasua and the Amezcoa. Serrano left Tolosa Tuesday morning and reviewed the armies of Concha. He ordered Moriones and Campos which were in front of Bilbao to march from Tolosa to Hernani. He visited Bilbao afterwards and entered San Sebastian.

### Rejecting over the Toll of Folsom

MADRID Feb 23—A dispatch from Barcelona says the result of the Cortes elections is well received here, except by the Carlists and Communistes. The Liberal Deutsche Zeitung expresses the opinion that the French Republicans by their moderate and reasonable policy have deserved the confidence of Europe and will receive the thanks of the civilized world for their successful conflict with Ultramontanism.

### Insurgents to be Interned.

VIENNA Feb 23—A decree is published ordering that all insurgents crossing the frontier into Dalmatia shall be interned

### Count De Chambord's Opinion of Republicanism.

LONDON Feb 24—The Times Paris letter contains the following The Count De Chambord has written a letter to Guy de Bonnett the author of the book on the United States hostile to Republicanism. He says I accept your book with pleasure I shall feel great satisfaction in following you step by step in the course of your profound study of the United States, in which you arrive at those conclusions meditation on which is incumbent on every man of good faith I am always grateful to writers who disclaiming all fear of unpopularity find courage to denounce as the most dreadful scourge of society, the utopias which hold so large a place in our series of misfortunes

### Minister of the Interior pro tem.

M Duval Prefect of the Seine is mentioned as Minister of the Interior pro tem

### Vienna Ambassadorship.

PARIS Feb 23—The appointment of Count De Stolberg Wernigerode to the Vienna ambassadorship has made such an impression that it is said Bismarck would like him as successor to the chancellorship

### The French Cabinet

PARIS Feb 1 The Soleil of to day says the cabinet will probably be modified as follows Dufaure minister of justice Pothuon minister of marine Casimir Perier or Remusats minister of the interior Jim Cossy minister of war will probably retain his portfolio Duc de Cassis minister of foreign affairs Wallon minister of public instruction and Caillaux minister of public works The ministry of agriculture is undetermined

### Carlist Movements.

MADRID Feb. 23—The Carlists are now concentrated at Cassino and Somasnago. Don Carlos is with the former A son of the Carlist Gen Elio was killed in the engagement at Penaplata

### The Sultan Grants Amnesty

CONSTANTINOPLE Feb 23—The sultan has signed an irade granting amnesty to all insurgents who return to their homes in a month The government announces that it will have all the houses and churches which were destroyed rebuilt at its own cost and furnish the insurgents means of resuming their usual vocations The authorities on the frontiers are ordered to acquaint the insurgents of the imperial decree and offer the necessary facilities for returning home

### The Russian Troops Enter Khokand.

TOSHKAND Feb 23—The Russian troops under General Scotzeff entered Khokand Tuesday and were warmly welcomed by the inhabitants who expressed great satisfaction at the announcement of the incorporation of Khokand with Russia

### Bank of England.

LONDON Feb 23—The bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance to day was £220 000

### Collision and Loss of Life.

LONDON Feb 23—The steamship Switzerland from New York January 9th while steaming up the Channel at Antwerp yesterday ran down the brigantine Hero and four of the crew of the latter were drowned The Switzerland was uninjured

### The Niece not the Daughter of Bonaparte.

LONDON Feb 23—Mrs Gordon, who lost her life in the steamer Lyde disaster was niece of Bonaparte not daughter

### Winslow, the Forger.

Winslow the Boston forger was remanded to prison to day till March 2d to await the arrival of officers with extradition papers

## PLYMOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

NEW YORK Feb 23—The entire morning session was consumed in the discussion of the reports presented by the committees on 4th and 6th questions. The report on the former question was in the negative and therefore favors Plymouth Church. The committee of nine who are to prepare a final report of the council was appointed But the only names which could be got as being members of it were those of Lucius Fairchild Bacon and Bingley A At the afternoon session the report of the committee on the fourth question was taken up and adopted with not much discussion This question related to the calling of the mutual council requested by ex Deacon Wm F West and in it the church asked if it should have called tan mutual council when requested to do so by a member who had in vers sub mitted any charges against the pastor and when such request was made more than one year after the investigation had been held by the church itself in which the pastor had been sustained The committee to whom was referred the communication sent to the council by Deacon West report that the action of the church was proper and just.

The report of the committee on the 5th question relating to the calling of Mrs Moulton's mutual council and in which the church asked whether it had acted rightly and properly or if there was any error on its part which should be corrected was taken the action of the church and says that the committee feel satisfied that Plymouth church was not bound to have the mutual council It does also state it as their belief that had the Vanderbilt not withdrawn as such the council would have sustained Tilton's report was also adopted and with not much discussion

The report of the committee on question No 6 was then taken up The question is as follows Has Plymouth church in the principles and rules which it has provided for the maintenance of order and the administration of discipline or in any known excesses of its administration under those principles and rules gone beyond its rights as a church of Christ so as to forfeit its claim to the confidence and fellowship of Congregational churches? The report of this question sets forth that the committee are clear in their conviction as to the absolute necessity of reopening the case but unanimous as they are they do not pay any considerable claims and ruinous allegations It is common that the council appoint a committee of three to advise Plymouth church that it would be well to select a committee of five from the list of names up from which Beecher and Storrs should be one to hear all the evidence that may be offered and in judgment finally upon the case

It is stated that Plymouth Church has sent power of attorney to Mr Hall that in case the Mutual Council dismisses Mr Beecher Mr Hall shall withdraw from the council and refuse to be bound by its decision

The subject of the Moulton matter was then taken up and Mr Storrs moved that the council be dissolved Mr Hall opposed the motion and thought that the council should not be dissolved until it had finished the business before it Mr Storrs withdrew his motion and Mr Hall moved that the council be dissolved Carried

Mr Storrs then moved a vote of thanks to Mr Wells Walker's valley Lot was carried unanimously and the council adjourned sine die Facts will probably not be made public until after the trial but then and surely will be published in larger quantities than ever before and all this foreshadowed with a prominent Brooklyn divine

The Tilton Leaf has broken out again Beecher has long stock in Lyde of Liverpool Englishperson Hand shakers in recent tracks

When the cat gets up the tiger said that the hat he thought the most of was the one he might swallow The man who is always short Jimmy Thumb A body guard—Underhanded

## PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

### CALIFORNIA.

#### San Francisco Stock Market.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 23—Opbir 67, Mexican 212 C & C 222 B & B 641 Savage 182 Challenge 98 H & N 113 Point 241 Jacket 104 Kentuck 141 Imperial 83 Alpha 28, Belcher 172 Confidence 20 Con Va 146 8 Nev 251 Caledonia Bullion 49 Exch par 113 Overman 70 Justice 36½ Succor 21 Union 102

EVENING BOARD Valley 8, B & E 21 Hale Con 142, Ad Hill 87c, Belmont 18 Jackson 28, Alpha 14 Leopard 9½ Jefferson 54 Gila 2 Panther 24 Hussey 76 N Bullion 41, Gen Thomas 6 St Pat 44, Marshall 60

## NOTES ON LONDON

[From a Special Correspondent to the Tribune.]

LONDON, Jan 7 10—Unfurled an English man's umbrella is his castle folded, it becomes his third leg Like he might yield to an imperative demand his umbrella, never

Return with your shield or on it, was the Spartan mothers adjuration to her son at parting Similarly we may suppose the British matron to instruct her gallant youth when he goes forth umbrella in hand conquering and to conquer Not only a weapon of defense, it becomes one of serious offense at times Thus, when he places it in rest as did the knight of old, his lance in the good sociable times when sparring people was accounted no sin and goes charging down Pall Mall or Piccadilly, twer better to encounter Sir Launcelot's self or the great Gawain, harness on back, tilting in mad career One might get out of the way of the Roman chariot, armed with scythes whereof old historians speak, I suppose, for that drove straight onward, but the Englishman with an umbrella under his arm frisks about and rakes the eyes on all sides of him, one might as well try to dodge the fire of a mitrailleuse, mounted on the back of a restive donkey It is much better to stand still and let him spear you through and bear one of your eyes away on the point of his weapon—as boys on the merry go-around do the rings at which they ride—and beg your pardon afterward (which he is sure to do) and so have done with it!

Or if you will revenge yourself in kind, as most of our countrymen do, indeed equip yourself with an umbrella, and pamphleteer an ulster, with a chimney pot hat jammed down over your eyes, stream out upon the streets and flare through the fog comet like—a baleful orb, shot madly from its sphere, to affright the world The average American can be quite as awkward and disagreeable as any to the manner born if he sets out with the deliberate intention of being genteel and graceful, after the custom of the country which he happens to be in! You will notice however that the Englishman, unlike other people, never seems to have a sense that he is in any way making himself ridiculous He will say or do the most absurd things with the unconscious air of those who do good by stealth, and would blush to find it fame When he visits America he is never disturbed by the thought that people may be laughing at him He never seeks out a tailor at once and demands to be dressed like the natives it is quite enough for him that his costume be that which was considered the correct thing in London If not like unto that worn in New York it is equally unlike that worn in the capital of Ashantee and he fails back on the reflection that it is not his fault that these countries are as yet less civilized than his own Here at home too he puts on pretty much what he pleases and does very much as he elects to do He mounts an airgun of gigantic plaid and striking color sweeping the ground, perhaps, and with a Scotch cap that rests on his head like an acorn cup on a kidney potato, goes calmly out upon parade No one laughs at him the idea that any one could do so never occurs to him, even the small boys of the street do not follow him and ask where he buys his clothes So when he sets out for Switzerland, in tourist costume, with walking shoes which cast sudden and strange shadows over the pavement a hat box in one hand, an alpen stock in the other his bath tub under his arm, umbrella strapped to his back, a telescope slung over his shoulder and the whole crowned with a cotton hat imported from Calcutta the idea that he cuts a queer figure never crosses his placid mind and he jumps into a cab with all his bundles and drives off to the station with all his might thanking of nothing but being comfortable and troubled by the thought that he may lose some of his luggage

Starting the whole does not perch on his shoulder and shout in his ear what a guy! Yankee on the other hand setting out on such a journey would of course have his shirt home than run the risk of being laughed at by strangers for taking it along So too the city merchant, when he gathers with an umbrella guard or some purveyor of rain mail over an overcharge at a portico For the fact that bystanders may think him small may not matter that he is wasting time in pursuit of a penny that might better be employed in making a shilling he cares not at all prominent in his mind stands forth only the single idea that a Briton is being wronged and until he gets his rights not one of his shaggy pups will he stir And he understands all swagger with him for there is nothing more sure than a Britons mind than a penny unjustly expended And behold he will be accordingly kept out of other law If such a one I should meet with extended hand till the final hogs pourdess by his side then he will bring his wrong before a Lord Chief Baron of the Kingdom

And I catch myself thinking half in what one individually knows or thinks to be right regardless of the rest of the crowd and I suppose they better I Lord Chatter Box We are very apt to admire any quality which we perceive others possess And to me there is nothing more pleasant than to see a man or a woman or a child with the courage of his convictions

## CONGRESSIONAL.

### Senate

WASHINGTON Feb 23—Logan presented petition of Dakota asking that proceeds of the act of June 18 1874 be extended to include all which Conover will elbow out Logan believes that the 1 dollar and 25 cents per acre dollars is not enough

Morton presented a petition signed by over two hundred of Indiana's leading citizens asking that State on the subject of temperance asking Congress to appoint a commission to investigate and report to Congress the effect of alcoholic liquors Opposed by Logan Scott Hamlin Sargent and others

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# The Daily Oregonian.

THURSDAY MORNING FEB 24 1876

*THE FUGITIVE SLAVE QUESTION IN THE PARLIAMENT*

The ultra philanthropists in the British Parliament are greatly exercised over the circular lately issued by the Admiralty The point made by them is that any fugitive who lands on the deck of an English ship no matter where the ship may be is absolutely free and that therefore the order of the Admiralty instructing the commanders of English ships to return such slaves as may come on board while the ships are in waters of friendly slave holding powers is in point essence of iniquity

At first sight it may seem strange that the Admiralty should have issued an order of this kind It may seem inconsistent in the government of a country whose people regard slavery as a sin and whose laws prohibit it within its territory to order the return of slaves fleeing from bondage to their masters It was calculated to excite the sentimental and to stir up the oracles of Exeter Hall and the disciples of the Earl of Shrewsbury to infinite volubility Not content with the Englishman's panacea for all social and political ills,—writing to the *Times*—the good people whom this order offended have procured the introduction of a resolution in the House of Commons on this subject to the effect that the present government have done a very bad thing of which they ought to be ashamed and which ought to be immediately undone Many speeches have already been made upon the question involved and doubtless many more will follow, in all of which there is, and will be, more gush than sentiment, and more sentiment than reason

The state of the case is just this English men-of-war must go to the ports of slave holding countries—they cannot stop away. While they are there, slaves are liable to, and do, go on board of them Once on board, the question arises what must be done with the slaves? The English philanthropists say the commanders of the ships must keep them—the English government, through the order of the Admiralty, says send them back And the difference between the two has called forth the resolution alluded to

Up to the present time no final action has been taken in the matter, and it may still be a little doubtful how the House of Commons will vote

It is hard to see how the Admiralty could order the commanders of the ships to do otherwise. Upon the high seas, or when in British waters, or in those of unfriendly nations, the slave coming on board of an English ship should, in accordance with English laws, be declared free. But when the ship is in the waters of a friendly power, the case is altogether different. In the former case there would be no laws except those of his own country, which the ship's commander would be bound to respect, and those would give the slave his freedom In the latter case, the laws of the friendly power within whose territory the ship is, would have to be regarded in some degree, at least. A certain degree of deference would be due to them. The ship could not be made the refuge of the property of the people of the country without giving just cause, in the estimation of the world, for war The very first case in which demand should be made for the return of a fugitive and refused, might give rise to a war, in which England would be in the position of a country fighting for the maintenance of an assumed right to meddle with and manage other people's affairs

The good sense which is characteristic of the English will soon make them see the justice and the wisdom of the action of the Admiralty, and much as they may wish it were possible to do otherwise, they will, it is believed, finally agree that the Admiralty did in the matter what the laws of nations required of them

*THE "SILVER QUESTION"*

A reporter on one of the San Francisco dailies recently interviewed a large number of the prominent bankers, capitalists and business men generally of that city upon the cause of the depreciation in silver Among the causes assigned for the depreciation were "that more silver is produced than there is a demand for, supply and demand regulate the price of an article as water finds its level and the attempt is made under these circumstances to make a silver dollar equal to a gold one when in reality it is worth but little over ninety cents, and the demonetization of silver in Germany and other countries of Europe—and the great amount of silver thus thrown upon the market together with the production of the mines of Nevada. This has caused a depreciation of the situation of the standard ounce in the London market and London rules the world in fixing the value of silver Where formerly silver was worth $1 29 it was now only worth $1 09 to $1 11

The remedies suggested were quite as various as causes One banker gave it as his opinion that if Congress would pass a law directing the retirement of all bank bills and currency under the denomination of $10 to be done in such reasonable time as to allow of the coining of silver to take their place and directing the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase the silver necessary and have it minted on government account it would be a successful placing of from sixty to eighty millions which would be hailed with pleasure if not with delight by people throughout the States and the taking of a bold and easy step toward specie resumption Another thought that the legal tender clause should not be changed but as the limit was put at $20 that by no means all silver should be coined. He stated that in the United States Treasury vaults there were millions of silver dollars which could not be put in circulation because they were worth more as bullion than as coin. Another was in favor of the Government buying silver bullion and coining it into dollars. Another was in favor of the Government buying silver bullion and coining it into dollars. Another was in favor of the Government buying silver bullion and coining it into dollars.

Col Dyer, in the closing argument in the Babcock case, skillfully avoided the rock with Mr Storrs sought to put in his way and hoped he would split upon It was evident from the tenor of Mr Storrs speech that he was trying to induce Col Dyer to assail the President in reply to his defense of him thinking that the case of his client as it would would be benefited thereby But Col Dyer was not to be drawn off in that manner from the real issue in the case, the guilt or innocence of Babcock and after a few words on allusion to this fact of Storrs proceeded at once and vigorously with his argument

The Conservative of London talk threatening openly about impeaching Gov Kellogg and several other State officers The worst leaders of the Democratic party are strongly opposed to any such action at this time Even much Gov Kellogg may deserve impeachment a moment the bad feeling which such action would cause in the South would more than counterbalance any good that could be accomplished by it Moreover the Democratic party would be glad to see the Republicans waste their energies in such a foolish undertaking as impeaching Governors and other State officers. They would be glad to see the Republicans waste their energies in such a foolish undertaking as impeaching Governors and other State officers.

Hon Matt Deady of this district has been nominated by the Democrats of the Portland district for Congress. He will be elected. The Democrats of the Portland district for Congress. He will be elected.

Judge Skinner who was appointed postmaster of Union County in 1824 by President John Quincy Adams has held that position up to the present time He is now in his eighteenth year

### OREGON

Linn county owes $4000 and is delinquent tax list of $10 000

La Grande now has no paper but we learn that one will soon be started there

Eight vessels sailed in over Coos Bay bar on the 17th inst without the aid of a tug

The factory at Oregon City has 5,000 spindles 150 carding jacks and at present employs about 100 hands it is running about 75 minutes Balance of the operatives white

The applications at the land office at Oregon City average with the corresponding days last year Register Dunbar reports an increased interest in that direction that locating homesteads and pre-emptions is in the ascendant

The schooner *Ida Hirz* Perry master arrived at Coos Bay on the 14th inst from Santa Monica She made the round trip in 15 days She made the round trip from Santa Monica to Coos Bay in four days and six hours

Harvard College still boasts of only two of which are sons of the fifties Marshall and Lugenbeel The latter was made a navy surgeon after the close of the war by order of the post office department and he but in consequence of some irregularity in the undertaking of the latter the order has not yet gone into effect

On the 15th of this month says the *Democrat* at the residence of their son Thomas near Jacksonville the Rev Mr and Mrs Clemens who immigrated last fall from Missouri received their friends who assembled to congratulate them upon the half century anniversary of their nuptial day The afternoon was spent in recalling many an incident of bygone days of the old people present who were out in full force there being present over 50 persons who had passed the allotted age of man three score and ten) while the united ages of the ten oldest persons present including Mr and Mrs Clemens was 788 years Among the aged persons present were Messrs Isaac and John Blevins Hugh Linn and J B McClure and their wives The young ladies present exerted themselves as the Linn county lassies can to add the old folks sat down to a wedding feast that would make the mouths of royalty itself water The party broke up at an early hour wishing the ancient bride and groom many happy returns of their wedding day

### MARRIED:

In Olympia Feb — Thos Woodard and Miss Matilda Smith

In Olympia Feb 2 Prof A L Francis and Miss Ella Chapman

## NEW TO-DAY.

**SHAWLS.** Entire Stock now offered at clearance prices at 107 Third st by JOHN WILSON

**Desirable Residence Property for Sale.**

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# The Daily Oregonian.

THURSDAY MORNING FEB 24 1876


## CITY.

BOY CONVICT PARDONED.—Last spring Lyon Wilkinson, Frank Carroll, John Dougherty and Geo Connor were convicted of larceny in the State circuit court and sentenced to the penitentiary from this city. Subsequently Wilkinson was pardoned by Gov Grover and Mr Hiram Smith of Shrewsburg, adopted him. Since that time the boy has been working in Mr Smith's family and deported himself in such a way as to win the satisfaction of his adopted parents and the confidence of all. Having proven industrious and trustworthy, Tuesday Gov Grover pardoned Frank Carroll. In speaking of the matter a Salem paper says: "Young Carroll has exhibited a change in conduct while in prison that appears to be a bad boy by nature, but a victim of bad associations and a desperate effort for a reformatory school. He is well connected, his parents live in California. Mr Zeiber of the Clarendon Hotel, with other friends in Portland, have taken an interest in him and have arranged that he go to California and be taken charge by a friend of the family to be placed upon a ranch where he will be actively and usefully employed. Accompanied by Mr. Andrus and several other citizens, Mr. Zeiber went out to the penitentiary after the pardon secured the lad's pardon. Young Carroll did not received no previous intimation of the good fortune in store until the news was abruptly broken to him. He was so overjoyed that he leaped about and wept tears of delight. John Dougherty and two Connor, Carroll's companions in crime and confinement, cried bitterly when they learned that they must separate and the scene which followed is said to have been quite touching. Carroll was brought down Tuesday afternoon and to-day will leave on the steamer for Oakland to rejoin his parents. It is to be hoped that the lad will profit by his own recent but severe experience in trending the pathway of crime, and in the future avoid evil and corrupting associations.

PLEASANT EPISODES.—At the Centennial festival given by the ladies of the Unitarian church, last Tuesday evening, the Washington Guard, under command of Captain Cook marched into the hall and performed several military maneuvers in their skillful manner and thereby added to the variety and pleasure of the entertainment. After going through the manual of arms, marching and counter marching, the Guards in due form marched out, led by two drums and a fife. At the party given the next evening at the same place, by the Guards, the ladies and gentlemen who assumed the Revolutionary characters at the festival, collected in costume and returned the call of the Guards in a very appropriate manner, by proceeding to the hall in costume, and under inspiration of suitable music, danced for the edification of those present the elegant and graceful minuet then joined in a modern quadrille and soon after Ward took their departure. The call and the return were very well devised, and were pleasant episodes in the progress of both the festival and the ball, and will be remembered by the persons who originated and carried out the idea as very appropriate.

BODY FOUND.—The body of an unknown man was found a few days ago near the head of Walker's Island, about 56 miles below this city. The remains were placed on board the steamer *Shoo Fly* and brought up to this city reaching here last evening. It is thought the body is that of the German, John Steeven, who, it will be remembered, fell from the O R N Co's dock last November and perished. Soon after the remains reached here, Mr. Levi Ankeny, who was appointed administrator of the estate of Steeven, notified Coroner Wetmore, and requested that an inquest be held. *As nothing whatever is known of the body,* the coroner *has wisely concluded to defer the* inquest for several days and allow the remains to lie at the undertaker's for identification. Deceased has on a pair of No 9 boots with the letters "O. K." made with tacks driven in the soles. The body is in a good state of preservation. Any information which will lead to the identification of the body will be thankfully received by the coroner.

WE GUESS NOT.—Under the heading of 'An Ass Chinee Oregonian,' the San Francisco *Bulletin* of the 17th inst., says "A man giving the name of John Armstrong was arrested last night, charged with assaulting a Chinaman named Ah Fat. It appeared that the Chinaman was going along Steuart street, when he was met by Armstrong, who struck him in the face. After being arrested he made the remark that he could get even on the Chinese when he got back to Oregon. That he could up two or three of them off a boat and they would never be missed. A charge of carrying a concealed weapon was also entered against him, and he was ordered to appear for sentence on both charges to-morrow morning. If Mr (?) Armstrong will pay Portland a visit, and try the little experiment of tipping Chinamen off of the wharf we engage that the "minions of the law" will make it exceedingly interesting for him.

WEATHER REPORT.—From the records of the U. S. Signal Station of Observation Portland Oregon, February 23, 1876:

| | 7 A M | 2 P M | 9 P M |
|---|---|---|---|
| Thermometer | 48° | 58° | 47 |
| Wind, direction | S | S | S |
| Wind, velocity | 1 | 10 | 1 |
| Weather | Cloudy | Cloudy | Rain |
| Minimum, they | | | 45° |
| Rainfall | | | 0.5 |

DEEP DRAUGHT VESSEL.—The ship Samuel Watts, 2,035 tons register now under charter to the Salem Flouring Mills Co to load wheat at Astoria, is a larger vessel than has ever yet entered the Columbia river and is said when loaded to draw 26 feet of water. At present she is at San Francisco, but will sail for the Columbia river in a few days. She will if fully loaded, carry 100,000 bushels of wheat.

CORRECT TIME.—Mr B L Stone has received one of Bliss & Co's transit instruments with which the time will be taken at noon by the sun, and in the evening by the north star. Mr Stone will have erected an observatory, opposite his store, for the purpose.

NEW PAINTINGS.—Mr R C White is engaged in painting a series of twelve pictures 6x7 feet, each descriptive of scenes in ancient history for Mr E C Holden of Astoria who will deliver a course of lectures on Masonry.

FIRST BOAT FOR WALLULA.—It is the intention of the O S N Co to start the steamer *Gaylor* from Celilo on Saturday, March 4th—first trip of the season.

### AMUSEMENTS.

Elsewhere is published the programme of the second concert for the benefit of the Portland Library. We should judge it will be even better than the first and no doubt the attendance will be much more flattering. The sale of reserved seats will take place at Himsdorfer's drug store from 9 A M to 4 P M to-day and Friday. There is no extra charge for reserved seats.

NEW MARKET THEATRE was comfortably filled last evening on the occasion of the benefit tendered Prof McGibeny and family by the citizens of Portland. One does not often see a more refined and appreciative audience than was assembled last evening at that fashionable and justly popular place of amusement. On the occasion of the farewell performances given by Prof McGibeny and his adopted family, a most excellent programme was presented. It is unnecessary to enter into particulars, as the folks did rapidly, as if the audience were slow in showing the appreciation they felt, and well earned plaudits. Miss Mattie sang several solos in a manner which won merited applause, and Masters Ernest Hugh and Moss Willis [illegible] were with much credit. Their [illegible] fied to state are put out [illegible] ing Master Hugh [illegible] the theatre. No extra [illegible] for reserved seats [illegible] lery, 25 cents. Next week Prof McGibeny and his talented family will leave for the Sound a visit.

W. L. ADAMS M. D. A. M. C. D. [illegible] of First and Salmon streets [illegible] most inveterate chronic diseases [illegible] at a low price by medicated electric [illegible] cream baths and by nutrizing the [illegible] and French with the Vincent [illegible] practice, mixed with a little [illegible] His treatment is on the main correct [illegible] final, and works almost miracles as [illegible] merous patients will attest. A lady always in the office to assist in treating women. If

## BRIEF NOTES.

Street repairing has begun in spots.

The Dalles will soon be [illegible] red clad.

Shrubbery trimming is [illegible] all the rage now.

Steamer Dalles passed Eola P M [illegible] express at 1 o'

Concert on next Tuesday evening at New Market Theatre.

A number of vessels are now on the way to Puget Sound.

Yesterday was a windy day [illegible] Mark Pfister.

The Steamer *Ajax* will sail this evening at 5 o'clock for San Francisco.

The [illegible] posts and lamp posts are being painted with paint.

The front of the [illegible] engine house has received a coat of paint.

The British ship *Hesperus* passed the Dalles Tuesday and was lying at anchor opposite Fort Astoria when the Dalles mail left yesterday morning.

The British ship *Hesperus* which was wrecked on the Columbia bar, was towed to sea by the steamer *Active* and the remainder of the cargo will be received.

Several meetings are now in progress at the Hall street school. Quite a religious interest is manifested. These meetings will be continued every night during the present week.

The wheel at high old shindig yesterday, taking off hats causing sighs to groan and creak, tossing ladies' skirts rudely about and generally making a very good exhibition of striped hosiery.

Chas Smith an old thief of long standing was sentenced yesterday morning to two years imprisonment in the State penitentiary by Judge Shattuck because he took a ball of valuable cloth without paying for the same.

Messrs Bechtel & Stolte, the well known photographers, have in their gallery upwards of 1,000 negatives all of which are carefully preserved. Each negative is labeled and correctly numbered and any particular one can be referred to without difficulty should occasion require.

## NOTES FROM SALEM.

SOCIAL, PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Our regular correspondent, under date of February 23d sends the following:

The entertainment given by the ladies of the Congregational church last evening, netted them about $17.

Dr Chance of your city is registered at the Chemeketa hotel, which will be his headquarters for the ensuing week.

A meeting will be held at the university this evening to make preliminary arrangements for the coming base ball season. Look out for sport.

City Marshal Smith accepted bail from a prisoner yesterday. It is generally classed as big bail, and the chap has as yet not made his appearance but John says he is cumming."

Among the pleasant events of last evening was a quiet little wedding at the residence of Mrs J W Smith wherein James Paxton of the Chemeketa tonsorial palace and Miss Annie Curl were the leading characters.

At the last meeting of the board of trustees of the Odd Fellows library association of this city appropriate resolutions of thanks were tendered to Hon I L McArthur for the lecture recently delivered by him for the benefit of the association.

## LECTURE CORRESPONDENCE.

The following correspondence dated Seattle, Feb 19th, will require no explanation:

We, the undersigned citizens of Seattle, having listened with a great deal of pleasure and profit to the lecture of Dr Lindsley, last evening, and being desirous of affording a similar opportunity to those of our citizens who were not present at that lecture, and also for the purpose of encouraging every effort made toward securing for ourselves and others a rational and pleasing entertainment, do cordially write, inviting Dr Lindsley to remain and deliver another lecture.

Dexter Horton, F A Young, B F Briggs, C H Larrabee, G R Lewis, W R Andrews, Wm P Boyd, Otis Freeman, John J McGilvra, Stuart Crichton, H L Yesler and others.

*Messrs Horton, Lewis, Yesler and others*—Gentlemen: Your appreciation [illegible] note and the agreeable attentions which I have received from the people of Seattle lead me to comply with your request. The subject of the lecture will be announced elsewhere.

Your friend and servant,

A L LINDSLEY.

## THE COURTS.

U S DISTRICT COURT—DEADY, J.

WEDNESDAY, Feb 23 1876.

Oregon Iron Works vs Eliza Ladd, continued till 14th March next.

Adjourned till next Tuesday at 10 A M.

STATE CIRCUIT COURT—SHATTUCK, J.

Benj F Smith vs J P O Lownsdale, motion to strike out part of complaint sustained as to first and second specifications as to third overruled, defendant allowed until 1st day to plead.

State of Oregon vs D F Quimby, demurrer to indictment sustained, defendant held matter remanded to the grand jury.

State of Oregon vs Chas Hand, defendant sentenced to two years imprisonment in the State penitentiary.

F F Morse vs George Duggan and C H Perkins, time for answering extended until Thursday morning.

Oregon Iron Works vs Eugene Spodden et al, continued for the term upon payment of the sum of $10.

John Dougherty vs John Fox, action for the recovery of money, cause on trial.

## POLICE COURT NOTES.

Jack Jones, drunk and disorderly, fined $10 paid.

Tom Atkinson, arrested on a charge of petty larceny, defendant discharged.

A man named of two Jenkins was arrested yesterday for contempt of court and fined. He paid his fine and was discharged.

The case of city vs John King and Thos Tuu, accused of using obscene and abusive language was continued until this morning.

A man named Wood who was arrested on a charge of conducting himself in a wild and disorderly manner was examined and being partially demented was sent to the poor house for medical treatment.

The case of State vs Maurice Abrams, charged with assault and battery was tried yesterday. Defendant was found guilty on two charges and fined $5 and costs for each of same. He paid judgment and was discharged. Mary Abrams, wife of defendant, who was also arrested on a similar charge, discharged.

## VANCOUVER ITEMS.

A correspondent writing from Vancouver yesterday says:

It is said that our county paper and has become a fortune. This speaks well for the records of our city and county.

Messrs Brannagh, Jackson and Wilcox are expected to hold services at the Methodist church in this city next Saturday evening, and Sunday.

Pedagogus, modern school [illegible] company, on the Methodist church [illegible] the place [illegible] works with very [illegible] success [illegible] interest and [illegible] the church and the [illegible] attained.

Poor Sawyer [illegible] a practical [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] Dr Lindsley [illegible] Thursday evening with [illegible] Odd Fellows [illegible] and Alder [illegible] of the Order are invited to attend. By order of N G.

## THE TURF.

A San Francisco exchange of a very recent date in speaking of the great four mile race that took place Tuesday in which Foster came victorious says:

The fine mess that are expected to contend in the great four mile race on Washington's birthday are all in active training. Gideon Cox, father of Lizzie Cornstead, Kate Rose and Delorme, is at the Oak Grove track while D Kinkaid takes his morning exercise at the Oakland Trotting Park. All are in good condition, and sports and ring flying on hand, the road from Oakland to San Francisco for the business of the great four mile event. Foster the horse that Mr Littell has named to ride the place of Wildidle, is by Leamington out of Vermilion, imported York shire bred, imported Britannia by Malcolm, Foster is the favorite at present place on the East return in Occident Bets. An old race year old by won the Occident stakes at Santa Rosa over Handicap and Rose and [illegible] a good second to Kingfisher in the Belmont. The Unionbourne ran a [illegible] He was third in the Dinner Party Stakes at Baltimore, which was won by Dr Shotwell. Opposed to [illegible] He has such hands in [illegible] and a half or one [illegible] two miles in [illegible] two and a half miles in [illegible] and four miles in [illegible] Golden Gate, who has been named in the place of Springbok withdrawn was second in the recent Kensington bar dun being Naphtha by imported Eclipse. She was once sold at auction in the streets of New York for $150. At Saratoga she won a lush of [illegible] mile over eight competitors in 2:09¾. She has run and won two races in one day over the one on the Bay District being the best when she ran mile [illegible] 1:41.

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

A large and fresh lot of Eastern oysters per steamer at the Gem.

Delashmutt & Oatman have something new to say to-day. Observe the announcement.

Mr J R Roberts, broker has removed to opposite Ladd & Tilton's bank. Any business entrusted with him will be promptly attended to.

Prof. Chas I. Bray is prepared to give lessons on the prune violin and cornet. He can be seen at Sherman & Hyde's, or his residence, Fourth and Morrison streets.

Dr S I Andrews of San Francisco has a certain cure for oil spill fits or spasms, a sample bottle of which will be sent free upon application. His cure has been [illegible] very highly by those who know its qualities.

## ODDS AND ENDS.

Fashionable extremes—High heels and low foreheads.—*Punch.*

Clearing out sales. Those which men make before running away.

When a dying man makes codicils to his will he is allowed to put on heirs.

A first rate gee hawlogist won the prize at the last plowing match.—*Cam Bulletin.*

It was a bald headed clergyman who took for his text: The hairs of our head are all numbered.

An Irish editor says he can see no earthly reason why women should not be allowed to become medical men.

A tramp lately asked a lady for money. She offered him food. "Gracious" was his observation, "do you think I can eat all the time?"

"I make my tex das morning," said a colored preacher, "from dat portion ob de Scriptures whar de Postal Paul puts his pistol to the Fessions."

The word debtor composed of the initials of "dun everybody twice." Creditor is formed of the initial letters of "call regularly every day, I'll trust."

Dean Swift was one day accosted by a drunken weaver, who staggering against him said: "I have been spinning it out." "Yes," said the Dean, "and now you are reeling it home."

Jones (going—in fact a little "gone")—"Brown, old man, are you going my way?" Brown—"No my boy I'm not. Fact is I was your way last night but I'm better now, thank you."—*Punch.*

"Well neighbor Slummidge, how much shall I put you down for to get a chandelier for the church?" Neighbor S: "Shoot what we want to get a chandyleer for? That 'ere hain't nobody can play onter it when ye git it."

"Wilt love me, she murmured," even when age has crept upon me and left his traces there?" "I s'pose that depends on what he does with the rest of the harness" broke in the old man just to let them know he was there.

Too Matter of Fact—Grandmother—"You ought to be ashamed of yourself Matilda Ann, to 'sit without a tear when the good clergyman was a talking that beautiful and every one else was a weepin' so." Matilda—"Why, how could I cry when I hadn't got a pocket handkerchief?"

"Would you take a man's last cent for a cigar?" The unsuspecting merchant replied that he would and that settled the bargain for the customer placed one cent on the show case but the small end of the Havana, upon the porch, and leisurely strolled out puffing his high toned cigar.

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## PORTLAND.

Thos. I. Bell Esq., correspondent of the San Francisco *Journal of Commerce*, who was recently here thus describes our city:

The city of Portland is justly a source of great pride to all Oregonians. The growth of the shipping interest has been remarkable. One of the early founders of the city was from Portland, Maine. Hence its name. It is situated on the river Willamette, about six miles from its confluence with the Columbia, being at the head of ship navigation. It is the commercial center of the rich country watered by the streams. The harbor is particularly attractive, the banks of the river at this point being gradually sloped. The levee is a broad, [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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## A FATHER'S SACRIFICE

A STORY OF FRENCH SOCIETY

Up four flights of stairs in a house in Paris were three little rooms inhabited by the family Reynaud They had only pointed roofs chimneys with their sawy look out upon but in the present were the most within and so neat and tasteful and sunny that there was small temptation to turn the eyes away from them

It was evening and the family were assembled at supper They were observing a fete and the best table cloth was spread on the table a little bouquet of fresh flowers stood by each glass and the good cake surrounded by a wreath of ribbons distinguished the center Around the board sat the jolly affectionate old father the delicate and loving mother their brave son some boy and one other not yet belonging to the family but soon to be called daughter by the parents and wife by the son She was a gentle loving young girl looking with affectionate respect upon the old folk and with fond modest eyes upon her lover

"Son, said the mother for 21 years this night hast thou been the delight of my heart Thou hast gladdened my eyes every day thou hast lived, Ah! that thou wert but a few years younger, that I might be sure of thee longer"

"Wife, dost thou not see that Marion takes thy word as a reproach to her? said the father Thou would st have thy son all for thyself thou sayest

"I do not mean that I would not have my child Marion for my daughter, she replied "No, no! Bless her heart, she need not blush so And she need not fear I think even my Robinet happy to be her husband But the conscription, father! Our boy is of age"

The old man's happy face grew pale and uneasy.

"Wife," he said "our boy is affectionate to us, true to Marion, and loving to God If heaven is but just, he will not draw the fatal lot, Heaven blesses the good

"Whom God loveth he chasteneth, said the mother with a sigh and Marion's cheek grew whiter

"Come, do not darken a sunny day by clouds of fear said the young man To night I am free To night I can be the happiest fellow alive Even if to morrow I draw the wrong number, and must go to fight I may return to you covered with honors Will you not be glad and proud then!

"My son, my son, I have known many a brave boy join those ranks dreaming as thou dost, but few come back to their mothers Oh Robinet, thou art my only one, and if thou art killed I shall be childless."

"Ah wife," said the father, forcing back his tears, "Couldst thou not be almost happy to be a widow? The conscription spares the only sons of widows If thy useless old husband were gone, thou could st keep thy brave young son!"

"Ah, ah!" cried the wife, "stop the old man's tongue. Put thy hand on his mouth, Marion. I cannot bear to hear him talk so."

"To night let us be happy," said Robinet "I am not yet a conscript; and I believe I shall accept to morrow So, begone dull care! Father, shall I cut my birthday cake?"

"Yes, my boy," said his father. "Let us not borrow trouble. It would kill me to see thee among the dissolute soldiery, driven to slaughter! I will not, no, I cannot think of it. Yes, cut thy cake, but do not harm those pretty buds." Marion placed them there in token of how she will round the life with pleasures. Eh, Marion? Each bud for a kiss or kind word, eh?

Marion wiped her eyes and smiled blushingly. Cheerfulness was restored, and the happy family gave themselves up to enjoyment of each other, the secret thought that perhaps it was for the last, making every voice tenderer.

On the next day the drawing was to take place. Father and son proceeded to the place of decision. The son, with white cheek and dilating eye, drew, while the father stood by, his usually jovial form trembling with agonizing apprehension. It was a fatal number! and with a groan of despair the old man fell upon his son's neck.

"Oh, my boy!" he said, "I cannot let thee go! I cannot see thee driven to slaughter Thy mother's heart will be desolate I can not, no, God forgive me. I cannot"

He wrung his son's hand, and, shaking his head at the few brave, consoling words Robinet's trembling lips uttered, he stopped them short by kissing him tenderly. He then went out, with a gesture forbidding any one to follow him.

"The mother will weep over her son," said a bystander—Marion's father but an old man, like an old dog, goes alone to grieve. He, thy poor old father idolizes thee, boy Ah, Robinet Roumillo, there is another—a poor young girl—whose bitterest tears will be secret ones."

The youth, almost stunned with despair at his fate, returned to tell his mother and Marion. They awaited his arrival, kneeling at the feet of the Holy Mary's image, and praying with agonizing fervency.

Robinet entered quietly, and stood rigid and pale behind them, his eyes large and his nostrils quivering The mother turned and looked at him, then fell back in a swoon Her son raised her and laid her upon a sofa in slow recovery. Marion clung to his arm and held one of his hands in hers, weeping bitterly None asked for the words they could not bear to hear.

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